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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of)
David F. Mark et al.) Before the Examiner
Serial No. 655,897) B. Hazel
Filed: September 28, 1984) GROUP ART UNIT: 127
For: CYSTEINE-DEPLETED MUTEINS)
OF BIOLOGICALLY ACTIVE)
PROTEINS)

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Sir:

Pursuant to the request of Examiner B. Hazel in a telephone conversation conducted on December 13, 1985, attached is a Declaration from the undersigned regarding the permanence, availability and replacement for the deposited cultures disclosed in the above-captioned patent application. It will be noted that the specification of the above-identified application is identical to that of U.S. Patent No. 4,518,584, issued May 21, 1985, and that since May 21, 1985, the deposits were readily accessible thereto by the public, and all restrictions on the availability to the public were irrevocably removed.

Should there be any further questions concerning the application or this communication, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned attorney of record (415) 420-3414.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: December 16, 1985

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